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Re: North Pointe Insurance Company (North Pointe)

NAIC #27740

FEIN #38-2706529

Pet Insurance Program

Our Company File No. NP-07-01-PB-AR-RR

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find North Pointes property rates and rules in connection with Pet Insurance Program. This filing is proposed to be effective upon approval by the Department.

Please forward all other correspondence regarding this filing to:

Marissa Lineberry

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Thank you for your kind attention to this matter. If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

### **Company and Contact**

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### **Disposition**

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Arkansas Code Annotated §23- 67-211(a)(1) requires every authorized insurer to file with the Commissioner all rates and supplementary rate information and all changes and amendments made by it for use in this State at least twenty (20) days before they become effective. Your filing was completed on the date above and cannot be effective for 20 days after that date.

Rate data does NOT apply to filing.

Item Type	Item Name	Item Status	Public Access
Supporting Document	TRANSMITTAL	Filed	Yes
Rate	RATES	Filed	Yes
Rate (revised)	Rates Pages	Filed	Yes
Rate	Rates Pages		Yes
Rate (revised)	RULES	Filed	Yes
Rate	RULES		Yes

#### **Objection Letter**

Objection Letter Status Pending Industry Response

Objection Letter Date 08-10-2007 Submitted Date 08-10-2007

Dear Marissa Lineberry,

This will acknowledge receipt of the captioned filing.

#### Objection 1

- Rates Pages (Rate)
- RULES (Rate)

Comment: The Associate Provider Veterinary Clinics credit describes services similar to an agent. Will the veterinarians have an agent's license? If not, please remove the credit.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

**Becky Harrington** 

#### **Response Letter**

Response Letter Status Submitted to State

Response Letter Date 08-15-2007 Submitted Date 08-15-2007

Dear Betty Montesi,

Comments:

#### Response 1

Comments: I have removed the Associate Provider Veterincary Clinics credit from our rules and rates. Please find the corrected ones attached.

Thanks

Related Objection 1

Applies to:

- Rates Pages (Rate)
- RULES (Rate)

Comment: The Associate Provider Veterinary Clinics credit describes services similar to an agent. Will the veterinarians have an agent's license? If not, please remove the credit.

No Supporting Documents have changed.

No Form Schedule items changed.

#### Rate/Rule Schedule Item Changes

Exhibit Name Rule # or Page # Rate Action Previous State Filing #

Rates Pages New RULES New

Sincerely,

Marissa Lineberry

#### **Objection Letter**

Objection Letter Status Pending Industry Response

Objection Letter Date 07-06-2007 Submitted Date 07-06-2007

Dear Marissa Lineberry,

This will acknowledge receipt of the captioned filing.

Objection 1 No Objections

Comment: Rate and rule manual pages must be submitted.

Objection 2

No Objections

Comment: Required forms Uniform Transmittal Document and RF-1 (NAIC Loss Cost Data Entry Form) must be submitted.

Objection 3
No Objections

Comment: A filing fee of \$100 is required.

In accordance with Regulation 23, Section 7.A., this filing may not be implemented until 20 days after the requested amendment(s) and/or information is received.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

**Becky Harrington** 

### **Response Letter**

Response Letter Status Submitted to State

Response Letter Date 08-09-2007 Submitted Date 08-09-2007

Dear Betty Montesi,

Comments:

#### Response 1

Comments: Attached are our rate rule pages. Attached is a completed transmittal document. RF-1 does not need to be completed we are not adopting loss costs. Our filing fee has already be sent

Related Objection 1

Comment: Rate and rule manual pages must be submitted.

Related Objection 2

Comment: Required forms Uniform Transmittal Document and RF-1 (NAIC Loss Cost Data Entry Form) must be submitted.

Related Objection 3

Comment: A filing fee of \$100 is required.

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Comment:

No Form Schedule items changed.

Rate/Rule Schedule Item Changes

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Sincerely,

Marissa Lineberry

#### **Reviewer Note**

Created By:

Becky Harrington on 07-06-2007 10:23 AM

Subject:

Discounts

Comments:

Check for insured referral rule and other discounts. Excessive claims and lack of clamis.

### **Rate Information**

Rate data does NOT apply to filing.

### Rate/Rule Schedule

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Filed	RULES		New		Revised AR rules 8- 15-07.pdf

## PETS BEST INSURANCE

### **Rate Filing Memorandum**

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This document was prepared as a filing memorandum for North Pointe Insurance Company (North Pointe) for the new pet insurance program. Pet insurance is a specialized class within the personal lines inland marine sector of the insurance industry. There is very little statistical data available. Rating organizations do not make reference filings on behalf of client companies, and therefore there is nothing in any of the A.M. Best Company statistical data either. The few companies offering pet insurance will classify the product under Inland Marine and so the industry statistics will be commingled with dissimilar subjects of insurance, and therefore of little value for the purposes of rate making.

Given the absence of industry data, we have located other sources of data and prepared our own methodology to launch this program. To assist us in developing our rates and rating methodology, we have retained the services of James Streff, who has been a Fellow of the Casualty Actuarial Society (CAS) for 30 years. Mr. Streff has assisted us with our actuarial assumptions and conclusions in developing this rate filing, including determination of base rates, as well as with the organization and categorization of rates and premium modification factors. Given the lack of actuarially credible industry data, logical organization of our rating methodology at the outset will be critical to developing a statistical base of our own, which, among other things, will be beneficial to future form and rate filing activity.

As our program grows, we will be revising our ratemaking approach to utilize this experience. The Pets Best agency has a very limited pool of experience from a similar program with General Fire & Casualty; this has been given consideration in our ratemaking.

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#### Calculating the Base Rate

The American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) published an Ownership & Demographics Sourcebook (ODS) in 2002. We used this as a starting point realizing that even though the data may be a few years old, the trends in that document were still valid. The ODS has statistics on all classes of pets but North Pointe's insurance program is only for canines and felines. The structure for estimating the premiums for the pet program are highly driven by the frequency and severity of claims. Pet insurance will have high claim frequencies and low claims severities. Reinsurance and measurement of risk will not be important issues in this rate filing. The logic for calculating the rates for canines is the same as for felines. The assumptions, of course, are different.

#### **Canine Analysis**

Estimating Claim Frequency: the canine analysis begins with and estimate of claim frequency, which aligns with the number of visits a dog makes to the veterinary each year. The AVMA study indicates the mean number of visits – Table A - to the veterinarian per dog per year was:

Year	Number of Annual Vet
i <del>C</del> ai	Visits
1991	1.9
1996	1.8
2001	1.9

Table A

In our rate analysis, we assumed that the number of average visits to the veterinarian per dog per year is 2.0. Furthermore, we assumed that the distribution of vet visits per dog per year is as shown below in Exhibit 1.

#### Number of Veterinary Visits per Year Per Dog

Number	Percent
None	20.0%
1	20.0%
2	30.0%
3	15.0%
4	8.0%
5	4.0%
6 or More	3.0%
Total	100.0%
Average	2.00

Exhibit 1

We modified this distribution to recognize that the person who is most likely to purchase pet insurance is likely to have more visits to the vet than the person who would not buy pet insurance. Therefore, we modified the Exhibit 1 to create Exhibit 2. Exhibit 2 shows that we expect three visits per dog per year from the people who would purchase pet insurance. Specifically, we modified Exhibit 1 by assuming not all of the people who do not take their dog to the vet would purchase pet insurance. We believe that the people who would purchase pet insurance would be the people who take their dog to the vet twice year or more often than that.



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### Number of Veterinary Visits per Year by Insured Pet Owner

Exhibit 2

#### **Estimating Claim Severity - Cost of Claims**

Per	Dog	The AVMA study showed the average cost of a visit to the vet per dog was a		
Number	Percent	shov	wn in Table B:	
None	0.0%			
1	10.0%	Year	Avg. Cost of a Vet Visit	
2	30.0%			
		1991	\$49.90	
3	30.0%	1996	\$73.60	
4	20.0%	2001	\$99.10	
5	6.0%		Table B	
6 or More	4.0%			
Total	100.0%			
Average	3.00			

#### Cost Per Veterinary Visit Per Dog

Cost	Percent	Ave. Cost	Cost per Dog
\$0 to \$50	14.3%	\$30.00	\$4.30
\$50 to \$75	16.0%	\$62.00	\$9.92
\$75 to \$100	18.7%	\$87.00	\$16.24
\$100 to \$150	14.7%	\$125.00	\$18.33
\$150 to \$200	12.7%	\$175.00	\$22.17
\$200 to \$250	10.3%	\$225.00	\$23.25
\$250 to \$350	6.3%	\$300.00	\$19.00
\$350 to \$500	4.0%	\$425.00	\$17.00
\$500 to \$1,000	1.7%	\$750.00	\$12.50
Over \$1,000	1.3%	\$1,500.00	\$20.00
Total	100.0%		\$162.71

Exhibit 3

In constructing our estimate of the average claim severity, we used the assumptions shown in Exhibit 3. This exhibit indicates that we are expecting the average visit to the vet for a dog to be \$162.71. The increase from \$99.10 to \$162.71 is at an inflation rate of approximately 9% per year.

The distribution of the vet visits into a cost band was made by using vet fee schedules. We assumed that a vet visit over \$1,000 would average \$1,500 (For the \$14,000 Limit policy we assume a higher average over \$1,000). Exhibit 3 assumes that 15.4% of the vet visits will cost less than \$50. The visits costing between \$50 and \$75 will comprise 17.7% of the visits to the vet. This distribution creates the average cost estimate of \$162.71



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#### **Allocating Costs to Type of Claim**

Our next step was to break down the costs into categories. We estimate the cost and frequency of the claim by these groupings. The first grouping is the vet visits for accidental injuries. The second grouping is for visits to the vet for health related reasons. The third grouping is for wellness related reasons. Accidental coverage can be sold by itself. The health policy will always include all of the accidental exposure and the wellness policy may be sold in conjunction with the health exposures. Exhibit 4 shows the allocations we made by the cost size of the visit. The data in each cell of Exhibit 4 shows how we expect the three visits each year per dog to be spread by type of visit and the cost band. For example, of the 3.00 visits per year, we expect .15 of a visit to be for accidental reasons. The visits for health reasons will be 1.80 visits per year and the visits for wellness reasons will be 1.05 visits per year.

The spread of the visits by cost band indicates that the health visits will have a higher proportion of the visits in the higher cost bands. This is logical since certain health treatments can cost thousands of dollars. The wellness visits, on the other hand, will often be routine checkups and their costs will be lower and more predictable. The accident visits will be between the health and the wellness visits in their average cost. They will probably be spread over a wider range of costs. We have estimated a second distribution of the utilization of our "High-End" \$300 deductible \$14,000 Policy Limit program.

#### Number of Veterinary Visits by Type and Cost Per Dog - No Deductible / \$75 / \$100 Deductible

Cost	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
\$0 to \$50	0.00	0.33	0.10	0.43
\$50 to \$75	0.01	0.35	0.12	0.48
\$75 to \$100	0.01	0.30	0.25	0.56
\$100 to \$150	0.01	0.25	0.18	0.44
\$150 to \$200	0.02	0.20	0.16	0.38
\$200 to \$250	0.02	0.15	0.14	0.31
\$250 to \$350	0.02	0.10	0.07	0.19
\$350 to \$500	0.02	0.07	0.03	0.12
\$500 to \$1,000	0.02	0.03	0.00	0.05
Over \$1,000	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.04
Total	0.15	1.80	1.05	3.00

Exhibit 4a

#### Number of Veterinary Visits by Type and Cost Per Dog – \$300 Deductible

Cost	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
\$0 to \$50	0.00	0.10	0.10	0.20
\$50 to \$75	0.01	0.20	0.12	0.33
\$75 to \$100	0.01	0.25	0.25	0.51
\$100 to \$150	0.01	0.30	0.18	0.49
\$150 to \$200	0.02	0.30	0.16	0.48
\$200 to \$250	0.02	0.25	0.14	0.41
\$250 to \$350	0.02	0.20	0.07	0.29
\$350 to \$500	0.02	0.10	0.03	0.15
\$500 to \$1,000	0.02	0.05	0.00	0.07
Over \$1,000	0.02	0.05	0.00	0.07
Total	0.00	0.10	0.10	0.20

Exhibit 4b



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#### **Calculating the Pure Loss Cost**

Exhibit 5 is used to estimate the total loss cost per dog per year with the assumptions of three vet visits per year and spread among the cost size bands and type of claim as shown in Exhibit 3. The result is the total pure loss cost that is shown in Exhibit 5. This exhibit shows that the average pure loss cost per dog per year is \$455.94. When this is divided by 3 visits per year, the average of \$162.71 results. This is the average cost per vet visit that was discussed earlier. Exhibit 5 estimates that \$70.24 per dog per year will be needed for accidental injuries. The health reasons will cost another \$269.95 per dog per year and the wellness reason will cost another \$115.75 per dog per year.

#### Annual Cost by Coverage and Size of Loss - No deductible

Cost	Accident	Per Dog	Wellness	Total
\$0 to \$50	\$0.00	\$9.90	\$4.50	\$14.40
\$50 to \$75	\$0.62	\$21.70	\$15.50	\$37.82
\$75 to \$100	\$0.87	\$26.10	\$21.75	\$48.72
\$100 to \$150	\$1.25	\$31.25	\$22.50	\$55.00
\$150 to \$200	\$3.50	\$35.00	\$17.50	\$56.00
\$200 to \$250	\$4.50	\$33.75	\$13.50	\$51.75
\$250 to \$350	\$6.00	\$30.00	\$12.00	\$48.00
\$350 to \$500	\$8.50	\$29.75	\$8.50	\$46.75
\$500 to \$1,000	\$15.00	\$22.50	\$0.00	\$37.50
Over \$1,000	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$60.00
Total	\$70.24	\$269.95	\$115.75	\$455.94

Exhibit 5

#### Estimating the Cost of a \$75 Deductible

The pure loss costs in Exhibit 5 are estimated with no deductible and no loss limit. Exhibit 5 shows the same display but with a \$75 deductible applied and a \$7,000 limit on losses. The cost of \$455.94 dropped to \$429.22 per dog per year.

Annual Cost by Coverage and Size of Loss Per Dog - \$75 deductible - \$7,000 Limit

Cost	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
\$0 to \$50			\$4.50	\$4.50
\$50 to \$75			\$15.50	\$15.50
\$75 to \$100	\$0.12	\$3.60	\$21.75	\$25.47
\$100 to \$150	\$0.50	\$12.50	\$22.50	\$35.50
\$150 to \$200	\$2.00	\$20.00	\$17.50	\$39.50
\$200 to \$250	\$3.00	\$22.50	\$13.50	\$39.00
\$250 to \$350	\$4.50	\$22.50	\$12.00	\$39.00
\$350 to \$500	\$7.00	\$24.50	\$8.50	\$40.00
\$500 to \$1,000	\$13.50	\$20.25	\$0.00	\$33.75
Over \$1,000	\$78.50	\$78.50	\$0.00	\$157.00
Total	\$109.12	\$204.35	\$115.75	\$429.22

Exhibit 6

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#### Estimating the Cost of a \$100 Deductible

North Pointe will also offer a \$100 deductible per dog per visit paired with a \$2,500 loss limit. The calculation of the pure loss cost for that product is shown in Exhibit 8. Comments made in the previous paragraph also apply to the \$100 deductible.

#### Annual Cost by Coverage and Size of Loss Per Dog - \$100 deductible - \$2,500 Limit

Cost	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
\$0 to \$50			\$4.50	\$4.50
\$50 to \$75			\$15.50	\$15.50
\$75 to \$100			\$21.75	\$21.75
\$100 to \$150	\$0.25	\$6.25	\$22.50	\$29.00
\$150 to \$200	\$1.50	\$15.00	\$17.50	\$34.00
\$200 to \$250	\$2.50	\$18.75	\$13.50	\$34.75
\$250 to \$350	\$4.00	\$20.00	\$12.00	\$36.00
\$350 to \$500	\$6.50	\$22.75	\$8.50	\$37.75
\$500 to \$1,000	\$13.00	\$19.50	\$0.00	\$32.50
Over \$1,000	\$33.00	\$33.00	\$0.00	\$66.00
Total	\$60.75	\$135.25	\$115.75	\$311.75

Exhibit 8

#### Estimating the Cost of a \$300 Deductible

North Pointe will also offer a \$300 deductible per dog per visit paired with a \$14,000 loss limit. The calculation of the pure loss cost for that product is shown in Exhibit 8. Comments made in the previous paragraph also apply to the \$300 deductible. Note the \$300 deductible calculation assumes a different distribution of losses to account for the expected market of this program, which is a true "high end" program as it involves a materially higher loss limit of 14,000.

#### Annual Cost by Coverage and Size of Loss Per Dog - \$300 deductible - \$14,000 Limit

Cost	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
\$0 to \$50			\$4.50	
\$50 to \$75			\$15.50	
\$75 to \$100			\$21.75	
\$100 to \$150			\$22.50	
\$150 to \$200			\$17.50	
\$200 to \$250			\$13.50	
\$250 to \$350	\$0.50	\$5.00	\$12.00	\$7.25
\$350 to \$500	\$2.50	\$12.50	\$8.50	\$18.75
\$500 to \$1,000	\$9.00	\$22.50	\$0.00	\$31.50
Over \$1,000	\$144.00	\$360.00	\$0.00	\$504.00
Total	\$156.00	\$400.00	\$115.75	\$671.75



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### Calculating Co-Payments

North Pointe's pet insurance has 20% co-payment in addition to the per incident deductible. Exhibit 9 summarizes the pure loss costs with no deductible and with a \$75, \$100, and \$300 deductible. Exhibit 9 also shows the pure loss costs after a 20% co-payment paid by the policyholder.

#### Summary of Annual Pure Premium by Deductible Per Dog - No Co-payment

Deductible None	Accident \$70.24	Health \$269.95	Wellness \$115.75	Total \$455.94
\$75	\$109.12	\$204.35	\$115.75	\$429.22
\$100	\$60.75	\$135.25	\$115.75	\$311.75
\$300	\$156.00	\$400.00	\$115.75	\$671.75

#### **Summary of Annual Pure Premium by Deductible**

#### Per Dog - 20% Co-payment

Deductible None	Accident \$56.19	Health \$215.96	Wellness \$92.60	Total \$364.75
\$75	\$87.30	\$163.48	\$92.60	\$343.38
\$100	\$48.60	\$108.20	\$92.60	\$249.40
\$300	\$124.80	\$320.00	\$92.60	\$537.40

Exhibit 9

#### **The Administrative Expenses**

The pure loss costs can be translated into a final premium estimate by considering the administrative expenses or loading. The estimated administrative expenses are shown in Exhibit 12.

#### **Ratemaking Assumptions**

Allocated Loss Expense	2.50%
Unallocated Loss Expense	1.50%
Underwriting Expense	20.00%
Marketing Expense	15.00%
Profit & Contingencies	12.50%
Investment Income Allowance	0.40%
Permissible Loss Ratio	52.90%

Exhibit 12

The allocated and unallocated loss expenses are expressed as a percent of the loss component. When Exhibit 9 is "loaded" for the allocated and unallocated loss expense the results are Exhibit 10.

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#### **Summary of Pure Premium per Dog**

Loaded for Loss Adjustment Expense

Deductible	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
None	\$58.44	\$224.60	\$96.30	\$379.34
\$75	\$90.79	\$170.02	\$96.30	\$357.11
\$100	\$50.54	\$112.53	\$96.30	\$259.38
\$300	\$129.79	\$332.80	\$96.30	\$558.90

Exhibit 10

The other expenses in Exhibit 12 are related to premium. Underwriting is 20% of premium as an example. This exhibit also shows that investment income from policyholder supplied funds .4% of the premium. The investment income is not very significant. Many premiums will be paid quarterly and the losses are very short tailed. The combination of the expenses is 47.1% (20.0 plus 15.0 plus 12.50 minus .4). This is expressed as a percent of premium and it is appropriate to divide Exhibit 10 by .529 (1 - .471) to find the indicated premiums loaded for expenses, and that is done in Exhibit 11.

#### Final Canine Premiums Loaded For Expenses

The premiums in Exhibit 11 are the final premium estimates for the \$75, \$100, and \$300 deductible options each with a 20% co-payment paid by the policyholder, based on the methodology above.

#### Summary of Final Premium per Dog by Coverage

"First Principles" - Methodology

Annual Premium - 20% Co-payment

Deductible	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
None	\$95.55*		\$182.05*	\$277.60
\$75	\$95.55 *	\$321.40	\$182.05 *	\$599.00
\$100	\$95.55 *	\$212.72	\$182.05 *	\$490.32
\$300	\$95.55 *	\$629.11	\$182.05 *	\$906.71

Exhibit 11a

#### Summary of Final Premium per Dog by Coverage

#### Actual Experience – General Fire Program

Annual Premium - 20% Co-payment

Deductible	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
None	209.79*		268.67*	\$478.46
\$75	209.79*	482.46	268.67*	\$960.92
\$100	209.79*	299.7	268.67*	\$778.16

Exhibit 11b

This data is based on less than 1 year of activity under this program; this data is not fully credible. The \$300 Deductible \$14,000 Limit program is a new offering with no experience to date.



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The premium estimates seen above in Exhibits 11a and 11b were considered in deriving the final premiums which follow in Exhibit 11c. We note that neither the "first principles" methodology nor the limited experience collected to date by Pets Best are fully credible. Thus, both are used in the premium determinations below.

#### Summary of Final Premium per Dog by Coverage

#### **Selected Premiums**

Annual Premium - 20% Co-payment

<u>Deductible</u>	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
None	\$120.00*		\$240.00*	\$360.00
\$75	\$120.00*	\$395.00	\$240.00*	\$755.00
\$100	\$120.00*	\$242.00	\$240.00*	\$602.00
\$300	\$120.00*	\$588.00	\$240.00*	\$948.00

<sup>\*</sup>Accident Plan is at \$100 deductible, Wellness is zero deductible.

#### Exhibit 11c

#### **Feline Analysis**

Estimating Claim Frequency: the Feline analysis begins with and estimate of claim frequency, which aligns with the number of visits a Cat makes to the veterinary each year. The AVMA study indicates the mean number of visits – Table A - to the veterinarian per Cat per year was:

Year	Number of Annual Vet
rear	Visits
1991	.80
1996	.88
2001	1.00

Table A

In our rate analysis, we assumed that the number of average visits to the veterinarian per Cat per year is 1.98. Furthermore, we assumed that the distribution of vet visits per Cat per year is as shown below in Exhibit 1.

#### Number of Veterinary Visits per Year Per Cat

Number	Percent
None	25.0%
1	25.0%
2	20.0%
3	10.0%
4	10.0%
5	5.0%
6 or More	5.0%
Total	100.0%
Average	1.98

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As with dogs, we assumed that the owners of cats who would purchase pet insurance would have more frequent visits to the vet as compared to the average pet owner. So we assumed that the number of visits to the vet per cat per year would be as shown in Exhibit 2. We assume that the average insured cat will have 2.50 visits to the vet each year.

### Number of Veterinary Visits per Year by Insured Pet Owner

#### **Estimating Claim Severity - Cost of Claims**

Per	Cat		study showed the average cost of a visit to the vet per Cat was as	
Number	Percent	show	vn in Table B:	
None	6.0%			
1	15.0%	Year	Avg. Cost of a Vet Visit	
2	30.0%			
		1991	\$44.80	
3	30.0%	1996	\$66.60	
4	15.0%	2001	\$92.90	
5	2.0%		Table B	
6 or More	2.0%			
Total	100.0%			
Average	2.50			

Exhibit 2

#### Cost Per Veterinary Visit Per Cat

Cost	Percent	Ave. Cost	Cost per Cat
\$0 to \$50	16.0%	\$30.00	\$4.80
\$50 to \$75	17.6%	\$62.00	\$10.91
\$75 to \$100	18.4%	\$87.00	\$16.01
\$100 to \$150	16.0%	\$125.00	\$20.00
\$150 to \$200	13.2%	\$175.00	\$23.10
\$200 to \$250	7.2%	\$225.00	\$16.20
\$250 to \$350	4.8%	\$300.00	\$14.40
\$350 to \$500	3.6%	\$425.00	\$15.30
\$500 to \$1,000	2.0%	\$750.00	\$15.00
Over \$1,000	1.2%	\$1,500.00	\$18.00
Total	100.0%		\$153.72

Exhibit 3



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#### **Allocating Costs to Type of Claim**

We allocated the visits to vet into cost size bands and type of exposure as we did for the dogs. The logic we used was similar. The result of this calculation is shown in Exhibit 4.

#### Number of Veterinary Visits by Type and Cost Per Cat - No Deductible / \$75 / \$100 Deductible

Cost	Accident	Health	Wellness	<u>Total</u>
\$0 to \$50	0.01	0.20	0.19	0.40
\$50 to \$75	0.02	0.21	0.21	0.44
\$75 to \$100	0.03	0.20	0.23	0.46
\$100 to \$150	0.04	0.14	0.22	0.40
\$150 to \$200	0.06	0.12	0.15	0.33
\$200 to \$250	0.05	0.09	0.04	0.18
\$250 to \$350	0.04	0.07	0.01	0.12
\$350 to \$500	0.03	0.06	0.00	0.09
\$500 to \$1,000	0.01	0.04	0.00	0.05
Over \$1,000	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.03
Total	0.30	1.15	1.05	2.50

Exhibit 4a

#### Number of Veterinary Visits by Type and Cost Per Cat – \$300 Deductible

_	Cost	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
	\$0 to \$50	0.01	0.06	0.19	0.26
	\$50 to \$75	0.02	0.13	0.21	0.36
	\$75 to \$100	0.03	0.16	0.23	0.42
	\$100 to \$150	0.04	0.19	0.22	0.45
	\$150 to \$200	0.06	0.19	0.15	0.40
	\$200 to \$250	0.05	0.16	0.04	0.25
	\$250 to \$350	0.04	0.13	0.01	0.18
	\$350 to \$500	0.03	0.06	0.00	0.09
	\$500 to \$1,000	0.01	0.03	0.00	0.04
	Over \$1,000	0.01	0.03	0.00	0.04
	Total	0.30	1.15	1.05	2.50

Exhibit 4b

#### **Calculating the Pure Loss Cost**

Exhibit 5 is used to estimate the total loss cost per cat per year with the assumptions of 2.50 vet visits per year and spread among the cost size bands and type of claim as shown in Exhibit 4. The result is the total pure loss cost that is shown in Exhibit 5.



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#### Annual Cost by Coverage and Size of Loss - No deductible

Cost	Accident	Per Cat	Wellness	Total
\$0 to \$50	\$0.30	\$6.00	\$5.70	\$12.00
\$50 to \$75	\$1.24	\$13.02	\$13.02	\$27.28
\$75 to \$100	\$2.61	\$17.40	\$20.01	\$40.02
\$100 to \$150	\$5.00	\$17.50	\$27.50	\$50.00
\$150 to \$200	\$10.50	\$21.00	\$26.25	\$57.75
\$200 to \$250	\$11.25	\$20.25	\$9.00	\$40.50
\$250 to \$350	\$12.00	\$21.00	\$3.00	\$36.00
\$350 to \$500	\$12.75	\$25.50	\$0.00	\$38.25
\$500 to \$1,000	\$7.50	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$37.50
Over \$1,000	\$15.00	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$45.00
Total	\$78.15	\$201.67	\$104.48	\$384.30

Exhibit 5

#### Estimating the Cost of a \$75 Deductible

The pure loss costs in Exhibit 5 are estimated with no deductible and no loss limit. Exhibit 5 shows the same display but with a \$75 deductible applied and a \$7,000 limit on losses. The cost of \$455.94 dropped to \$429.22 per Cat per year.

#### Annual Cost by Coverage and Size of Loss Per Cat - \$75 deductible - \$7,000 Limit

Cost	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
\$0 to \$50			\$5.70	\$5.70
\$50 to \$75			\$13.02	\$13.02
\$75 to \$100	\$0.36	\$2.40	\$20.01	\$22.77
\$100 to \$150	\$2.00	\$7.00	\$27.50	\$36.50
\$150 to \$200	\$6.00	\$12.00	\$26.25	\$44.25
\$200 to \$250	\$7.50	\$13.50	\$9.00	\$30.00
\$250 to \$350	\$9.00	\$15.75	\$3.00	\$27.75
\$350 to \$500	\$10.50	\$21.00	\$0.00	\$31.50
\$500 to \$1,000	\$6.75	\$27.00	\$0.00	\$33.75
Over \$1,000	\$39.25	\$78.50	\$0.00	\$117.75
Total	\$81.36	\$177.15	\$104.48	\$362.99

Exhibit 6

#### Estimating the Cost of a \$100 Deductible

North Pointe will also offer a \$100 deductible per Cat per visit paired with a \$2,500 loss limit. The calculation of the pure loss cost for that product is shown in Exhibit 8. Comments made in the previous paragraph also apply to the \$100 deductible.



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#### Annual Cost by Coverage and Size of Loss Per Cat - \$100 deductible - \$2,500 Limit

Cost	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
\$0 to \$50			\$5.70	\$5.70
\$50 to \$75			\$13.02	\$13.02
\$75 to \$100			\$20.01	\$20.01
\$100 to \$150	\$1.00	\$3.50	\$27.50	\$32.00
\$150 to \$200	\$4.50	\$9.00	\$26.25	\$39.75
\$200 to \$250	\$6.25	\$11.25	\$9.00	\$26.50
\$250 to \$350	\$8.00	\$14.00	\$3.00	\$25.00
\$350 to \$500	\$9.75	\$19.50	\$0.00	\$29.25
\$500 to \$1,000	\$6.50	\$26.00	\$0.00	\$32.50
Over \$1,000	\$16.50	\$33.00	\$0.00	\$49.50
Total	\$52.50	\$116.25	\$104.48	\$273.23

Exhibit 8

#### Estimating the Cost of a \$300 Deductible

North Pointe will also offer a \$300 deductible per Cat per visit paired with a \$14,000 loss limit. The calculation of the pure loss cost for that product is shown in Exhibit 8. Comments made in the previous paragraph also apply to the \$300 deductible. Note the \$300 deductible calculation assumes a different distribution of losses to account for the expected market of this program, which is a true "high end" program as it involves a materially higher loss limit of 14,000.

#### Annual Cost by Coverage and Size of Loss Per Cat - \$300 deductible - \$14,000 Limit

Cost	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
\$0 to \$50			\$5.70	
\$50 to \$75			\$13.02	
\$75 to \$100			\$20.01	
\$100 to \$150			\$27.50	
\$150 to \$200			\$26.25	
\$200 to \$250			\$9.00	
\$250 to \$350	\$1.00	\$3.19	\$3.00	\$4.44
\$350 to \$500	\$3.75	\$7.99	\$0.00	\$11.74
\$500 to \$1,000	\$4.50	\$14.38	\$0.00	\$18.88
Over \$1,000	\$72.00	\$230.00	\$0.00	\$302.00
Total	\$81.25	\$255.56	\$104.48	\$441.29

#### **Calculating Co-Payments**

North Pointe's pet insurance has 20% co-payment in addition to the per incident deductible. Exhibit 9 summarizes the pure loss costs with no deductible and with a \$75, \$100, and \$300 deductible. Exhibit 9 also shows the pure loss costs after a 20% co-payment paid by the policyholder.



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#### Summary of Annual Pure Premium by Deductible Per Cat - No Co-payment

Deductible None	Accident \$78.15	Health \$201.67	Wellness \$104.48	Total \$384.30
\$75	\$81.36	\$177.15	\$104.48	\$362.99
\$100	\$52.50	\$116.25	\$104.48	\$273.23
\$300	\$81.25	\$255.56	\$104 48	\$441 29

#### **Summary of Annual Pure Premium by Deductible**

#### Per Cat - 20% Co-payment

Deductible None	Accident \$62.52	Health \$161.34	Wellness \$83.58	Total \$307.44
\$75	\$65.09	\$141.72	\$83.58	\$290.39
\$100	\$42.00	\$93.00	\$83.58	\$218.58
\$300	\$65.00	\$204.44	\$83.58	\$353.03

Exhibit 9

#### **The Administrative Expenses**

The pure loss costs can be translated into a final premium estimate by considering the administrative expenses or loading. The estimated administrative expenses are shown in Exhibit 12.

#### **Ratemaking Assumptions**

Allocated Loss Expense	2.50%
Unallocated Loss Expense	1.50%
Underwriting Expense	20.00%
Marketing Expense	15.00%
Profit & Contingencies	12.50%
Investment Income Allowance	0.40%
Permissible Loss Ratio	52.90%

Exhibit 12

The allocated and unallocated loss expenses are expressed as a percent of the loss component. When Exhibit 9 is "loaded" for the allocated and unallocated loss expense the results are Exhibit 10.



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#### **Summary of Pure Premium per Cat**

Loaded for Loss Adjustment Expense

Deductible	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
None	\$65.02	\$167.79	\$86.93	\$319.74
\$75	\$67.69	\$147.39	\$86.93	\$302.01
\$100	\$43.68	\$96.72	\$86.93	\$227.33
\$300	\$67.60	\$212.62	\$86.93	\$367.15

Exhibit 10

#### Final Feline Premiums Loaded For Expenses

The premiums in Exhibit 11 are the final premium estimates for the \$75, \$100, and \$300 deductible options each with a 20% co-payment paid by the policyholder.

#### Summary of Final Premium per Cat by Coverage

"First Principles" - Methodology

Annual Premium - 20% Co-payment

Deductible	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
None	\$82.57*		\$164.32*	\$246.89
\$75	\$82.57*	\$278.62	\$164.32*	\$525.51
\$100	\$82.57*	\$182.84	\$164.32*	\$429.73
\$300	\$82.57*	\$401.93	\$164.32*	\$648.82

Exhibit 11a

#### Summary of Final Premium per Cat by Coverage

#### Actual Experience – General Fire Program

Annual Premium - 20% Co-payment

Deductible	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
None	163.90*		209.90*	\$373.80
\$75	163.90*	376.92	209.90*	\$750.72
\$100	163.90*	234.14	209.90*	\$607.94

Exhibit 11b

This data is based on less than 1 year of activity under this program; this data is not fully credible. The \$300 Deductible \$14,000 Limit program is a new offering with no experience to date.

The premium estimates seen above in Exhibits 11a and 11b were considered in deriving the final premiums which follow in Exhibit 11c. We note that neither the "first principles" methodology nor the limited experience collected to date by Pets Best are fully credible. Thus, both are used in the premium determinations below.



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#### Summary of Final Premium per Cat by Coverage

#### **Selected Premiums**

Annual Premium - 20% Co-payment

Deductible	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
None	\$88.80*		\$240.00*	\$328.80
\$75	\$88.80*	\$289.00	\$240.00*	\$617.80
\$100	\$88.80*	\$177.00	\$240.00*	\$505.80
\$300	\$88.80*	\$420.00	\$240.00*	\$748.80

<sup>\*</sup>Accident Plan is at \$100 deductible, Wellness is zero deductible.

Exhibit 11c

#### **Other Rating Parameters**

Like other insurance products, pet insurance has rating parameters that are used to distinguish the loss potential of one segment of the pet population from another. The following is a summary of other rating parameters.

Dog or Cat Age: As animal age, their susceptibility to health problems increases. The rate relativity curve is used to adjust premium to

recognize this increased exposure.

Breed of Animal Some breeds of cats and dogs are more vulnerable to genetic disorder. The breed rate relativity factors will account for this.

The life expectancy of various breeds and the health risks of each are usually well documented in veterinary journals.

#### Age

North Pointe will use a rate relativity curve that reflects the increase loss potential as a pet becomes older. Such age relativity curves are common to this insurance product. The rate relativity curve is shown in Exhibit 22.

#### Rate Relativity by Pet Age

Pet Age	Dog	Cat
0	1.00	1.00
1	1.05	1.04
2	1.06	1.05
3	1.07	1.06
4	1.08	1.07
5	1.14	1.12
6	1.18	1.14
7	1.22	1.18
8	1.24	1.19
9	1.29	1,25
10	1.33	1.27
11	1.37	1.29
12	1.41	1.32
13	1.45	1.36
14	1.48	1.38
15	1.53	1.43



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16	1.57	1.46
17	1.61	1.49
18	1.64	1.51
19	1.67	1.54
20	1.70	1.56

Exhibit 22

The relativity of 1.00 reflects a pet that is not 1 year old.

#### **Breed of animal**

The breed of animal factors is used by North Pointe to recognize that some breeds of dogs are more fragile than others and more susceptible to congenital defects. The breed factors recognize this increased loss potential and are shown below:

Afghan Hound	1.10	German Shepherd	1.10
American Bandogge Mastiff	1.10	Golden Retriever	1.10
American Black and Tan Coonhound	1.10	Great Dane	1.10
American Blue Gascon Hound	1.10	Great Pyrenees	1.10
American Bulldog	1.10	Greater Swiss Mountain	1.10
American Cocker Spaniel	1.10	Irish Wolfhound	1.10
American Mastiff	1.10	Italian Bulldogge	1.10
American Mastiff (Panja)	1.10	Mastiff	1.10
Belgian Mastiff	1.10	Nebolish Mastiff	1.10
Berger Des Pyrenees	1.10	Neopolitan Mastiff	1.10
Bernese Mountain Dog	1.10	Newfoundland	1.10
Bloodhound	1.10	Old English Mastiff	1.10
Borzoi	1.10	Old English Sheepdog	1.10
Boxer	1.10	Olde Boston Bulldogge	1.10
Bull Boxer	1.10	Olde English Bulldogge	1.10
Bulldog	1.10	Olde Victorian Bulldogge	1.10
Bullmastiff	1.10	Perro De Presa Canario	1.10
Canary Dog	1.10	Pyrenean Mastiff	1.10
Chow Chow	1.10	Pyrenean Mountain Dog	1.10
Cocker Spaniel	1.10	Roman Rottweiler	1.10
Coonhound-Black & Tan	1.10	Rottweiler	1.10
Coonhound-Blue Tick	1.10	Russian Hound	1.10
Coonhound-Redbone	1.10	Russian Wolfhound	1.10
Dachshund	1.10	Saint Bernard	1.10
Doberman Pinscher	1.10	Scottish Deerhound	1.10
English Bulldog	1.20	Shar Pei	1.10
English Cocker Spaniel	1.10	Spanish Bulldog	1.10
French Bulldog	1.10	Spanish Mastiff	1.10
French Mastiff	1.10	Tibetian Mastiff	1.10
		Treeing Walker Coon Hound	1.10

#### **The Fixed Premium Option**

One of the impediments to selling pet insurance is the concern on the part of policyholders is that as the dog or cat becomes older, its health needs increase. This concern is coupled with the belief that premiums/rates will increase significantly as health problems emerge.



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North Pointe will offer a Fixed Premium Option to the insurance product. This is an optional policy feature. With this option, North Pointe will agree to hold premiums level for a policyholder until the dog reaches an age of 8 years, or a cat reaches an age of 12 years, after which the provision expires. There are certain conditions placed upon the policyholder in order for this provision to remain in effect until the 8 or 12 year expirations for dogs or cats.

The policyholder will pay an additional, additive charge or premium each month that the provision remains in effect. The additive premium per pet per month is \$1.00. The Fixed Premium Option will initially be rated using the rate appropriate for the pet at the time when the option was purchased.

As with other insurance coverages, it is our expectation and experience that actual loss costs for this pet insurance program will vary between concentrated metropolitan regions and sparsely populated rural areas. These differences are attributable to cost of living differences, attitudes regarding insurance utilization among the population as well others. Thus, we will be utilizing the following geographic rating factors:

#### **Geographic Rating Factors**

		Geogr	aphic Area	Region Factor	Metro Factor	Rate Factor
All other	Arkansas	Southeast	Rural	97%	100%	0.97
Little Rock	Arkansas	Southeast	Suburban	97%	100%	0.97



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#### **Canine Base Rates**

Deductible	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
None	\$120.00*		\$240.00*	\$360.00
\$75	\$120.00*	\$395.00	\$240.00*	\$755.00
\$100	\$120.00*	\$242.00	\$240.00*	\$602.00
\$300	\$120.00*	\$588.00	\$240.00*	\$948.00

#### **Feline Base Rates**

Deductible	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
None	\$88.80*		\$240.00*	\$328.80
\$75	\$88.80*	\$289.00	\$240.00*	\$617.80
\$100	\$88.80*	\$177.00	\$240.00*	\$505.80
\$300	\$88.80*	\$420.00	\$240.00*	\$748.80

#### **Age Relativities**

Pet Age	Dog	Cat
0	1.00	1.00
1	1.05	1.04
2	1.06	1.05
3	1.07	1.06
4	1.08	1.07
5	1.14	1.12
6	1.18	1.14
7	1.22	1.18
8	1.24	1.19
9	1.29	1,25
10	1.33	1.27
11	1.37	1.29
12	1.41	1.32
13	1.45	1.36
14	1.48	1.38
15	1.53	1.43
16	1.57	1.46
17	1.61	1.49
18	1.64	1.51
19	1.67	1.54
20	1.70	1.56



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#### **Canine Breed Relativities**

Afghan Hound	1.10	German Shepherd	1.10
American Bandogge Mastiff	1.10	Golden Retriever	1.10
American Black and Tan Coonhound	1.10	Great Dane	1.10
American Blue Gascon Hound	1.10	Great Pyrenees	1.10
American Bulldog	1.10	Greater Swiss Mountain	1.10
American Cocker Spaniel	1.10	Irish Wolfhound	1.10
American Mastiff	1.10	Italian Bulldogge	1.10
American Mastiff (Panja)	1.10	Mastiff	1.10
Belgian Mastiff	1.10	Nebolish Mastiff	1.10
Berger Des Pyrenees	1.10	Neopolitan Mastiff	1.10
Bernese Mountain Dog	1.10	Newfoundland	1.10
Bloodhound	1.10	Old English Mastiff	1.10
Borzoi	1.10	Old English Sheepdog	1.10
Boxer	1.10	Olde Boston Bulldogge	1.10
Bull Boxer	1.10	Olde English Bulldogge	1.10
Bulldog	1.10	Olde Victorian Bulldogge	1.10
Bullmastiff	1.10	Perro De Presa Canario	1.10
Canary Dog	1.10	Pyrenean Mastiff	1.10
Chow Chow	1.10	Pyrenean Mountain Dog	1.10
Cocker Spaniel	1.10	Roman Rottweiler	1.10
Coonhound-Black & Tan	1.10	Rottweiler	1.10
Coonhound-Blue Tick	1.10	Russian Hound	1.10
Coonhound-Redbone	1.10	Russian Wolfhound	1.10
Dachshund	1.10	Saint Bernard	1.10
Doberman Pinscher	1.10	Scottish Deerhound	1.10
English Bulldog	1.20	Shar Pei	1.10
English Cocker Spaniel	1.10	Spanish Bulldog	1.10
French Bulldog	1.10	Spanish Mastiff	1.10
French Mastiff	1.10	Tibetian Mastiff	1.10
		Treeing Walker Coon Hound	1.10

#### **Geographic Relativities**

		Geographic Area		Region Factor	Metro Factor	Rate Factor
All other	Arkansas	Southeast	Rural	97%	100%	0.97
Little Rock	Arkansas	Southeast	Suburban	97%	100%	0.97

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#### **Policyholder Discounts**

General Credit Provisions Applicable to All Expense Reduction

- Expense Reduction Credits offered by the Company will be reviewed from time to time and may be discontinued or adjusted based upon aggregate experience generated by the policies that have qualified for the applicable Expense Reduction Credit. The Company shall provide policyholders with thirty (30) days advance written notice of any discontinuation or modification in Expense Reduction Credit.
- Expense Reduction Credits in this section apply only to the Pets Premier, Pets First and Pets Basic Plans and do not apply to the BestWellness or Accidental Injury Only Plans.
- Reclassification of any a member upon termination of membership to an individual policy, from any Group receiving an Expense Reduction Credit member, may only occur at policy renewal.
- Any Expense Reduction Credits in this section may be combined, but are subject to a maximum total combined discount per pet.

Maximum Combined Expense Reduction Credit of :

.800

Multiple Pets Credit

In the event that two or more pets are enrolled on a single policy the Multiple Pets Expense Reduction Credit will be applied.

The Multiple Pets Expense Reduction Credits are as follows:

1 pet: 1.00 2 to 3 pets: .930 4 to 6 pets: .880 7 or more pets: .850

The Multiple Pets Expense Reduction Credit will be available for any combination of two or more canine or feline pets insured on the same policy. If the number of qualifying pets changes during a policy term, then the applicable Expense Reduction Credit for the number of qualifying pets as of the date of change will be applied.

Service Pets Credit

The Company defines Service Pets as pets that are regularly used in service capacities such as hearing ear, seeing eye, police and rescue dogs or therapy pets that are certified as such by a recognized association or governmental entity. This Expense Reduction Credit is based on reduced acquisition costs and a single entry point to a large number of pets

Service Pets Expense Reduction Credit: .900

Premium Credit for Spayed or Neutered Pets – BestWellness Plans The BestWellness Plan rates as shown in the rate pages are flat rates and are not subject to modification, except that the premiums will be reduced if, on the effective date of the policy, a pet (cat or dog) is already spayed or neutered. This credit applies irrespective of any other credits applied, and is not subject to the Maximum Combined Expense Reduction Credit provision.

The per policy term (12 months) premium credit is: \$36.00

Web Link Partner Credit

The Company has available an Expense Reduction Credit to policyholders who are the customers or employees of qualifying Web Link Partners. Web Link Partners are defined as businesses that operate in relation to canines and/or felines and will place a web link to us on their web site. The Web Link Partner Expense Reduction Credit is based upon reduced marketing expenses that will accrue from the economies of scale and relationship leveraging that occurs through public awareness, group education and cooperative marketing.



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Web Link Partner Expense Reduction Credit:

.950

Affinity Groups and Strategic Educational and Promotional Providers Credit

The Company has available an Expense Reduction Credit to members of Affinity Groups and Strategic Educational and Promotional Providers. The Affinity Groups Expense Reduction Credit is based upon reduced marketing and underwriting expenses that will accrue from the economies of scale and relationship leveraging that occurs through public awareness, group education and cooperative advertising

- ➤ The Affinity Group must have a specific definition and membership requirements.
- The Affinity Group must endorse or recommend and sponsor the Company's pet insurance program.
- There must be a written contractual arrangement between the Company and the Affinity Group.
- Membership in the Affinity Group entitles members to the group Expense Reduction Credit.

Affinity Groups Expense Reduction Credit:

.900

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Strategic Educational and Promotional Partners Reduction Credit

.850

Annual Premium Payment Credit

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Annual Premium Payment Credit:

.930

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The Animal Shelter or Humane Society Pet Owner Adoption Expense Reduction Credit:

.900

Corporate Group Benefit Programs Credit

The Company has available an Expense Reduction Credit to employees of employers who offer pet insurance as part of their Corporate Group Benefit Program. The Expense Reduction Credit is based upon reduced underwriting expenses that will accrue from highly efficient enrollment.

The Corporate Group Benefit Expense Reduction Credit is:

.900



### Personal Inland Marine

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#### **Fixed Premium Option**

#### General Rules

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- The purchase of this option does not guarantee that coverage will be renewed at each policy renewal.
- If we file any plan revisions that would result in a premium lower than the fixed premium under this option, then the subject pets will receive the lower premium that results from the revision upon the next policy renewal.
- > This option is not available for use in conjunction with the BestWellness or Accidental Injury Only Plans.
- > The Fixed Premium Option is available at the discretion of the Company and may be modified or discontinued at any time with 30 days written notice. Any modifications or discontinuations will not affect any fixed rate policies continuously in force.

#### Upgrades or Downgrades to Coverage Plan

- In the event of a coverage plan upgrade subsequent to the attachment of this option, this option will automatically transfer to the upgraded policy. The premium for the subject pets will be recalculated based upon prevailing rates, rate factors and rules in effect at the time of the upgrade, except that the Age rating factor that was applied on the date the Fixed Premium option was originally applied to the subject pets will remain in effect at the time an upgrade is made.
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Subject to Geographic Rate Factors Addition of New Pets In the event a policyholder relocates, upon the next policy renewal subsequent to the relocation, the policy premiums will be recalculated and fixed based upon the Geographic factors that apply at the new location, and subject to applicable state rates.

Newly added pets will be subject to the rates, rating factors and rules in existence at the time they are added to the policy. If the Company is still offering the Fixed Premium option at the time a new pet is added to the policy, and this option is selected, then the premium for any newly added pets will be based upon the prevailing rates, rate modifications, and rules then in effect at the time the new pet is added to the policy.



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#### **Eligibility Requirements**

Pets First Plans Eligibility for enrollment in the Pets First, Pets Premier or Pets Basic Plans is primarily determined

based upon the health history of a pet that is provided by the applicant at the time of enrollment. Certain medical conditions may disqualify a pet for coverage under a plan, or be subject to certain coverage limitations as specified in the policy. Refer to the Company Policies and Procedures

Pets Premier Plans section for the lists of medical conditions.

Pets Basic Plans

Accidental Injury Only Plans Any pet is eligible for the Accidental Injury Only Plan. The BestWellness Plan must be purchased in

conjunction with the Pets First, Pets Premier or Pets Basic Plan. The BestWellness Plan is not

BestWellness Option available in conjunction with the Accidental Injury Only Plan.

#### Rates

Refer to the rate pages for applicable rates.

#### Rating Formula

Pets First Plans The base rate is multiplied by applicable age factors, breed factors, geographic factors and discount

factors. These calculations are made separately, and the results are deducted or added to the base

rate, subject to the Maximum Combined Expense Reduction provision.

Pets Premier Plans Refer to additional rating rules and provisions below.

Pets Basic Plans



# **Expense Reduction Credits**

General Credit Provisions Applicable to All Expense Reduction

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- Reclassification of any a member upon termination of membership to an individual policy, from any Group receiving an Expense Reduction Credit member, may only occur at policy renewal.
- Any Expense Reduction Credits in this section may be combined, but are subject to a maximum total combined discount per pet.

Maximum Combined Expense Reduction Credit of: .800

Multiple Pets Credit

In the event that two or more pets are enrolled on a single policy the Multiple Pets Expense Reduction Credit will be applied.

The Multiple Pets Expense Reduction Credits are as follows:

1 pet: 1.00 2 to 3 pets: .930 4 to 6 pets: .880 7 or more pets: .850

The Multiple Pets Expense Reduction Credit will be available for any combination of two or more canine or feline pets insured on the same policy. If the number of qualifying pets changes during a policy term, then the applicable Expense Reduction Credit for the number of qualifying pets as of the date of change will be applied.

Service Pets Credit

The Company defines Service Pets as pets that are regularly used in service capacities such as hearing ear, seeing eye, police and rescue dogs or therapy pets that are certified as such by a recognized association or governmental entity. This Expense Reduction Credit is based on reduced acquisition costs and a single entry point to a large number of pets

Service Pets Expense Reduction Credit: .900

Premium Credit for Spayed or Neutered Pets - BestWellness Plans The BestWellness Plan rates as shown in the rate pages are flat rates and are not subject to modification, except that the premiums will be reduced if, on the effective date of the policy, a pet (cat or dog) is already spayed or neutered. This credit applies irrespective of any other credits applied, and is not subject to the Maximum Combined Expense Reduction Credit provision.

The per policy term (12 months) premium credit is: \$36.00



Web Link Partner Credit

The Company has available an Expense Reduction Credit to policyholders who are the customers or employees of qualifying Web Link Partners. Web Link Partners are defined as businesses that operate in relation to canines and/or felines and will place a web link to us on their web site. The Web Link Partner Expense Reduction Credit is based upon reduced marketing expenses that will accrue from the economies of scale and relationship leveraging that occurs through public awareness, group education and cooperative marketing.

Web Link Partner Expense Reduction Credit:

Affinity Groups and Strategic Educational and Promotional Providers Credit The Company has available an Expense Reduction Credit to members of Affinity Groups and Strategic Educational and Promotional Providers. The Affinity Groups Expense Reduction Credit is based upon reduced marketing and underwriting expenses that will accrue from the economies of scale and relationship leveraging that occurs through public awareness, group education and cooperative advertising

- > The Affinity Group must have a specific definition and membership requirements.
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# Personal Inland Marine

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#### **Canine Base Rates**

Deductible	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
None	\$120.00*		\$240.00*	\$360.00
\$75	\$120.00*	\$395.00	\$240.00*	\$755.00
\$100	\$120.00*	\$242.00	\$240.00*	\$602.00
\$300	\$120.00*	\$588.00	\$240.00*	\$948.00

#### **Feline Base Rates**

Deductible	Accident	Health	Wellness	Total
None	\$88.80*		\$240.00*	\$328.80
\$75	\$88.80*	\$289.00	\$240.00*	\$617.80
\$100	\$88.80*	\$177.00	\$240.00*	\$505.80
\$300	\$88.80*	\$420.00	\$240.00*	\$748.80

# **Age Relativities**

Pet Age	Dog	Cat
0	1.00	1.00
1	1.05	1.04
2	1.06	1.05
2 3	1.07	1.06
4	1.08	1.07
5	1.14	1.12
6	1.18	1.14
7	1.22	1.18
8	1.24	1.19
9	1.29	1,25
10	1.33	1.27
11	1.37	1.29
12	1.41	1.32
13	1.45	1.36
14	1.48	1.38
15	1.53	1.43
16	1.57	1.46
17	1.61	1.49
18	1.64	1.51
19	1.67	1.54
20	1.70	1.56



# Rate Pages Personal Inland Marine

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# **Canine Breed Relativities**

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Afghan Hound	1.10	German Shepherd	1.10
American Bandogge Mastiff	1.10	Golden Retriever	1.10
American Black and Tan Coonhound	1.10	Great Dane	1.10
American Blue Gascon Hound	1.10	Great Pyrenees	1.10
American Bulldog	1.10	Greater Swiss Mountain	1.10
American Cocker Spaniel	1.10	Irish Wolfhound	1.10
American Mastiff	1.10	Italian Bulldogge	1.10
American Mastiff (Panja)	1.10	Mastiff	1.10
Belgian Mastiff	1.10	Nebolish Mastiff	1.10
Berger Des Pyrenees	1.10	Neopolitan Mastiff	1.10
Bernese Mountain Dog	1.10	Newfoundland	1.10
Bloodhound	1.10	Old English Mastiff	1.10
Borzoi	1.10	Old English Sheepdog	1.10
Boxer	1.10	Olde Boston Bulldogge	1.10
Bull Boxer	1.10	Olde English Bulldogge	1.10
Bulldog	1.10	Olde Victorian Bulldogge	1.10
Bullmastiff	1.10	Perro De Presa Canario	1.10
Canary Dog	1.10	Pyrenean Mastiff	1.10
Chow Chow	1.10	Pyrenean Mountain Dog	1.10
Cocker Spaniel	1.10	Roman Rottweiler	1.10
Coonhound-Black & Tan	1.10	Rottweiler	1.10
Coonhound-Blue Tick	1.10	Russian Hound	1.10
Coonhound-Redbone	1.10	Russian Wolfhound	1.10
Dachshund	1.10	Saint Bernard	1.10
Doberman Pinscher	1.10	Scottish Deerhound	1.10
English Bulldog	1.20	Shar Pei	1.10
English Cocker Spaniel	1.10	Spanish Bulldog	1.10
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# **Geographic Relativities**

		Geogr	aphic Area	Region Factor	Metro Factor	Rate Factor
All other	Arkansas	Southeast	Rural	97%	100%	0.97
Little Rock	Arkansas	Southeast	Suburban	97%	100%	0.97

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Maximum Combined Expense Reduction Credit of :

.800

Multiple Pets Credit

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The per policy term (12 months) premium credit is: \$36.00

Web Link Partner Credit

The Company has available an Expense Reduction Credit to policyholders who are the customers or employees of qualifying Web Link Partners. Web Link Partners are defined as businesses that operate in relation to canines and/or felines and will place a web link to us on their web site. The Web Link Partner Expense Reduction Credit is based upon reduced marketing expenses that will accrue from the economies of scale and relationship leveraging that occurs through public awareness, group education and cooperative marketing.



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Web Link Partner Expense Reduction Credit:

.950

Affinity Groups and Strategic Educational and Promotional Providers Credit

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- > The Affinity Group must have a specific definition and membership requirements.
- The Affinity Group must endorse or recommend and sponsor the Company's pet insurance program.
- There must be a written contractual arrangement between the Company and the Affinity Group.
- Membership in the Affinity Group entitles members to the group Expense Reduction Credit.

Affinity Groups Expense Reduction Credit:

.900

Strategic Educational and Promotional Partners are defined as cooperation between the Company and another firm or party that is memorialized by a written agreement, such as veterinary suppliers, schools, trainers, breeders and others to educate and promote public awareness of the benefits of pet insurance in general. Membership in the Group entitles members to the group Expense Reduction Credit. This Expense Reduction Credit is based on reduced acquisition costs based on a single entry point to a large number of pets.

Strategic Educational and Promotional Partners Reduction Credit

.850

Annual Premium Payment Credit

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Annual Premium Payment Credit:

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.800

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- This option is not available for use in conjunction with the BestWellness or Accidental Injury Only Plans.
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#### Upgrades or Downgrades to Coverage Plan

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BestWellness Option

Any pet is eligible for the Accidental Injury Only Plan. The BestWellness Plan must be purchased in conjunction with the Pets First, Pets Premier or Pets Basic Plan. The BestWellness Plan is not

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#### Rates

Refer to the rate pages for applicable rates.

#### Rating Formula

Pets First Plans The base rate is multiplied by applicable age factors, breed factors, geographic factors and discount

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Pets Basic Plans



# **Expense Reduction Credits**

General Credit Provisions Applicable to All Expense Reduction

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